

Office of the Mayor

PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS,** the government of South Bend celebrates our local small businesses and the contributions they make to our local economy and community; and
- WHEREAS,** small businesses have powered the City's economic revival in recent years, generating growth and providing opportunities for all, with dozens of new small businesses launched in our economic region throughout the past year; and
- WHEREAS,** many South Bend residents owe employment and recreation to local small businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** visitor and residents alike appreciate the personal service achieved by our local small businesses; and
- WHEREAS,** small businesses figure to be a crucial component of this community's future development; and
- WHEREAS,** public and private organizations across the country have endorsed the Saturday after Thanksgiving as Small Business Saturday; and
- WHEREAS,** in past years, over 100 small businesses in South Bend, including shops, restaurants, and service, art, and entertainment venues, have participated in Small Business Saturday, thereby showcasing strength of small businesses in our community.

*Therefore, I, Pete Buttigieg, Mayor of the City of South Bend, Indiana, hereby proclaim the celebration of **Small Business Saturday** and encourage residents to join me in efforts to support small business and merchants on Small Business Saturday and throughout the year.*



Signed and sealed this 29th day of
November, Two Thousand and Nineteen

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Pete Buttigieg", is written over a horizontal line.

Pete Buttigieg, Mayor